



**Kern Council
of Governments**

September 25, 2003

Ms. Rachel Falsetti, Chief
Transportation Programming, MS 82
Office of Federal Transportation Management Program
P.O. Box 924874
Sacramento, California 94274-0001

Attention: Muhaned Aljabiry

Re: Formal Amendment No. 9 to the 2002 Federal Transportation Improvement Program

Dear Mr. Aljabiry:

Enclosed for your review and approval is a copy of Amendment No. 9 to the 2002 Federal Transportation Improvement Program requested by the Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG). Kern COG, at a regularly scheduled meeting held on September 18, 2003, adopted Amendment No. 9 to the 2002 FTIP. Also enclosed is an executed copy of the authorizing resolution, Resolution # 03-24, a signed conformity statement and amendment report. Projects in this amendment have been through the MPO approval process in the CTIPS database.

Amendment No. 9 to the 2002 FTIP revises sections of the Kern FTIP and includes new projects and revisions to current projects. The amendment includes changes to the Transit Program of Projects.

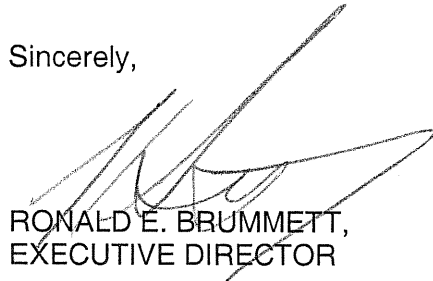
TRANSIT PROGRAM OF PROJECTS

- The Golden Empire Transit District (GET) has requested that their approved 2003/2004 FY capital projects be introduced into the 2002 FTIP. These projects are to be funded with FTA Section 5307 funds and TDA funds. Secondly, GET has requested the increase to their CNG Compressor of \$100,000 that is also funded by FTA Section 5307 and TDA funds. Thirdly, GET requested the introduction of a FTA Section 5309(c) Traffic Signal Priority System Phase II project. Please see attachments for details.
- BARC, Bakersfield Association for Retarded Citizens, has applied for FTA Section 5310 funds. Five projects were submitted and programming must be included in the FTIP. Please see attachments for details.
- DART, Desert Area Research Training, has applied for FTA Section 5310 funds. Four projects were submitted and programming must be included in the FTIP. Please see attachments for details.

- PSC, Pioneer Senior Citizens of Buttonwillow, has applied for FTA Section 5310 funds. One project was submitted and programming must be included in the FTIP. Please see attachments for details.

Should you have any questions about this amendment, please do not hesitate to contact Raquel Carabajal at (661)861-2191 or rcarabajal@kerncog.org.

Sincerely,



RONALD E. BRUMMETT,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Enclosures

CC: Doug Thompson, ARB
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Executive Directors, Valley COGs

BEFORE THE KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF KERN

Resolution No. 03-24
In the matter of:

AMENDMENT NO. 9 TO THE 2002 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG) is a Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) and a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO); and

WHEREAS, the MPO is required to develop, maintain and endorse the 2002 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) with a Biennial Program of Projects for federal funding assistance; and

WHEREAS, the 2002 FTIP for the Kern region is a six-year schedule of multi modal transportation project improvements of major freeways, expressways, arterials, urban collectors, bikeways, transit, rail and aviation facilities; and

WHEREAS, in order to maintain a current and up-to-date 2002 FTIP, amendments and minor adjustments are required from time to time; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 9 to the 2002 FTIP is consistent with elements of the 2000 Regional Transportation Plan (2000 RTP); and

WHEREAS, the 2002 FTIP, prepared by the Kern Council of Governments, is financially constrained and reflects state guidelines and regulation requiring the preparation of a TIP in the urbanized areas; and

WHEREAS, the projects contained in this amendment have no effect on the air quality conformity analysis or funding; and

WHEREAS, the Amendment No. 9 to 2002 FTIP is consistent with the State Implementation Plan (SIP); and

WHEREAS, the Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG) has an adopted Public Involvement Procedures and Policies; and

WHEREAS, the document has been made available for review by residents of Kern County through an advertised public hearing as prescribed in the Kern COG Public Involvement Procedures and Policies; and

WHEREAS, this amendment was circulated and reviewed by the member agencies of the Kern Council of Governments, representing their technical and management staffs, and representatives of other governmental agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Kern Council of Governments is the state recognized clearinghouse (Executive Order 12372) for this area and the aforementioned formal review shall constitute the official clearinghouse process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kern COG amends the 2002 FTIP as follows:

Amendment No. 9 to the 2002 FTIP will amend the 1) Transit Program of Projects. All changes are shown in the attachment to and made a part of this Resolution No. 03-24 by this reference.

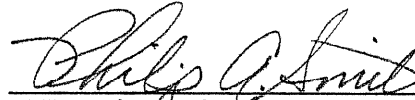
AUTHORIZED AND SIGNED THIS 18TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2003.

AYES: Acevedo, Couch, Lessenevitch, Hill, Throop, Melendez, Morgan, Prout, Hatch, Smith, Wegman, McQuiston, Watson, McCuen, Silver

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

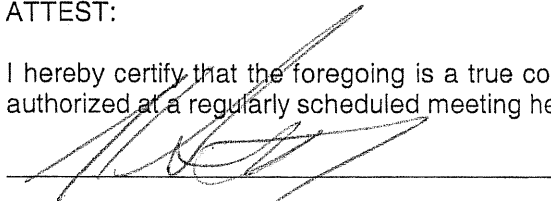
ABSENT: Shelton



Philip A. Smith, Chair
Kern Council of Governments

ATTEST:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Kern Council of Governments duly authorized at a regularly scheduled meeting held on the 18th day of September 2003.



Ronald E. Brummett, Executive Director
Kern Council of Governments

Date: 9/25/03



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CONFORMITY DETERMINATION

All agencies having projects in Amendment No. 9 to the 2002 Federal Transportation Improvement Program have made a finding that... "these projects will not increase capacity and will not affect the outcome of any regional emissions analysis nor will they add substance to this analysis." The Kern Council of Governments concurs in this finding.



Ronald E. Brummett,
Executive Director
Kern Council of Governments

Date: 9/25/03

Kern Council of Governments 2002 Federal Transportation Improvement Program

San Joaquin Format (Specific Amendment) Number: 2002

Transit Program (Non-CMAQ)

Route Postmile PIN State/Fed ID Fund AQ Lead	Description Total Escalated Cost Status	Phase	Prior Years	Program Schedule (Construction costs escalated per Caltrans percentage)				Change Description Project Comments Funding Summary (Current & Prior Years)		
				02/03	03/04	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	Local State Federal
KER010808 TDA5307 2.05 Golden Empire	CNG COMPRESSOR	PE RW Const.		600,000						Cost/Scope/Sch. Change (Cost Incr) ***** Version 4 - 06/20/2003 ***** Funding increase to \$600,000 in FTA funding and \$20,000 in TDA funding. ***** Version 1 - 07/18/2002 ***** ***** Version 2 - 07/18/2002 ***** ***** Version 1 - 07/26/2001 *****
	\$600,000 9.00 FTIP Amend. 9 10400000120	Total		600,000						Prior Current 120,000 480,000
	PURCHASE 22 CNG BUSES TO REPLACE 22 DIESEL BUSES	PE RW Const.			8,030,000					New Project ***** Version 1 - 06/20/2003 *****
KER030802 TDA5307 2.10 Golden Empire	\$8,030,000 9.00 FTIP Amend. 9 20400000231	Total			8,030,000					Prior Current 1,606,000 6,424,000
	PURCHASE AND INSTALL BUS AND PARATRANSIT CAMERA EQUIPMENT	PE RW Const.			175,000					New Project ***** Version 1 - 06/20/2003 *****
	\$175,000 9.00 FTIP Amend. 9 20400000232	Total			175,000					Prior Current 35,000 140,000
KER030803 5307/TDA 2.04 Golden Empire	CNG STATION PHASE II: REPLACE CATERPILLAR ENGINES WITH GE ELECTRIC ENGINES AND RETROFIT	PE RW Const.			750,000					New Project ***** Version 1 - 06/20/2003 *****
	\$750,000 9.00 FTIP Amend. 9 20400000233	Total			750,000					Prior Current 150,000 600,000
	REPLACE COMPUTER HARDWARE	PE RW Const.			50,000					New Project ***** Version 1 - 06/20/2003 *****
KER030805 5307/TDA 2.04 Golden Empire	\$50,000 9.00 FTIP Amend. 9 20400000234	Total			50,000					Prior Current 10,000 40,000
	REPLACE COMPUTER SOFTWARE	PE RW Const.			75,000					New Project ***** Version 1 - 06/20/2003 *****
	\$75,000 9.00 FTIP Amend. 9 20400000235	Total			75,000					Prior Current 15,000 60,000

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KERN COUNCIL
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June 12, 2003

Mr. Ron Brummett
Executive Director
Kern Council of Governments
1400 19th Street, Suite 300
Bakersfield, CA 93301

Subject: Transportation Improvement Program

Dear Ron:

Attached is a schedule depicting District approved capital projects for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003. These projects may be funded by the Federal Transit Administration as specified. GET does have the necessary local match funds for cover the cost difference. Consequently, GET requests there addition to the 2002 Federal Transportation Improvement Program.

The highlight is the 22 CNG bus replacement, which completes our conversion to a 100% CNG fueled transit system. The District support vehicles are also CNG fuel and completes the overall effort. In addition, GET's CNG compression plant shall be retrofitted with electric motors. GET needs to maintain a reliable fueling system that meets the needs of the fleet size and support vehicles. Consequently, we shall seek FTA funding to retrofit two engines and add a third compression unit.

The remaining projects enhance customer accommodations, identify bus stops, or add equipment to monitor bus and paratransit operations and other needs.

The projects submitted and included as amendments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program on half of Golden Empire Transit District will not adversely impact the regional conformity currently in place.

The project revisions for the 2002 Federal Transportation Improvement Program will not increase capacity and will not affect the outcome of any regional emissions analysis nor will add substance to this analysis.

I appreciate this opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'J. Woods', is written over a horizontal line.

J. Steven Woods
Deputy Chief Executive Officer

GOLDEN EMPIRE TRANSIT DISTRICT
Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2003-04

NEW ITEMS:	Budget	FTA Funding	TDA Funding
22 CNG buses to replace 22 diesel buses	\$8,030,000.00	\$6,424,000.00	\$1,606,000.00
Purchase and insfall bus and paratransit camera equipment.	\$175,000.00	\$140,000.00	\$35,000.00
CNG station phase II, replace caterpillar engines with GE electric engines and retrofit	\$750,000.00	\$600,000.00	\$150,000.00
Replace computer hardware:	\$50,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$10,000.00
Replace computer software:	\$75,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$15,000.00
Purchase and install vehicle recorders	\$150,000.00	\$120,000.00	\$30,000.00
Purchase and install 500 bus stop signs.	\$100,000.00	\$80,000.00	\$20,000.00
Replace 128 wooden bus bench	\$64,000.00	\$51,200.00	\$12,800.00
Maintenance equipment:			
Inventory storage cabinets	\$20,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$4,000.00
Air dryer upgrade	\$12,000.00	\$9,600.00	\$2,400.00
Bus washer blower	\$14,000.00	\$11,200.00	\$2,800.00
Utility storage	\$4,000.00	\$3,200.00	\$800.00
Replacement ladders	\$3,000.00	\$2,400.00	\$600.00
Tool crib cabinets	\$2,000.00	\$1,600.00	\$400.00
Various maintenance and equipment	\$55,000.00	\$44,000.00	\$11,000.00
Preventive Maintenance 2003-04	\$3,562,500.00	\$2,850,000.00	\$712,500.00

Amendments, change the following to read:

KER010808 CNG Compressor	\$600,000.00	\$480,000.00	\$120,000.00
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KERN COUNCIL
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August 15, 2003

Mr. Ron Brummett
Executive Director
Kern Council of Governments
1401 19th Street Suite 300
Bakersfield CA 93301

Re: Transportation Improvement Amendment

Dear Ron:

Golden Empire Transit District requests that a federally funded project entitled Traffic Signal Priority phase II be added to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program, FTIP. The total budget is \$937,500.00. The District anticipates federal funding of \$750,000 and local match funds of \$187,500.00.

This project is a second phase plan in collaboration with the City of Bakersfield, to coordinate traffic signal priorities allowing timely transit movement through out the City.

The District welcomes this opportunity and your assistance as always is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Steve Woods
Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Cc: File

8/26/03 Phone conversation with
Steve Woods resulted in the
following: KERA30822
\$ 750,000 FTA 5309(c)
\$ 187,500 Local
In the 04/05 FY
Approved



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